# Medway Redevelopment Authority Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Zoom Meeting

Members	Andy Rodenhiser	Rori Stumpf	Mike Griffin	Doug Downing	Paul Yorkis
Attendance	Remote X	Remote X	Remote X	Remote X	Remote X

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, and the Governor's Orders imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, <u>no in-person attendance of members of the public was permitted at this meeting</u>. All persons participated remotely. Public access was provided via Zoom.

## **ALSO PRESENT (remotely):**

Barbara J. Saint Andre, Director Community & Economic Development Amy Sutherland, Recording Secretary

The Chairman opened the zoom meeting of the Medway Redevelopment Authority at 6:01 p.m. and introduced the members of the MRA participating remotely

## NEW BUSINESS:

## **Approval of Invoices:**

The MRA had no invoices to approve.

## Discuss potential acquisition of land in Oak Grove Urban Renewal Area:

## New England Power:

At the last meeting, the MRA wanted Ms. Saint Andre to reach out again to the representative at New England Power. The representative is not responding. Ms. Saint Andre stated that she would reach out to the Town Manager, who has a contact at National Grid. The Board prefers to buy this parcel but will consider eminent domain if the owner is not willing to work with the MRA.

## **Williams Property:**

At the direction of the MRA, Ms. Saint Andre reached out to the Town Clerk who might have some information or can communicate with Mrs. Williams, but the Town Clerk was unable to provide any assistance. The MRA would like Ms. Saint Andre to communicate to Mrs. Williams' attorney that the MRA is becoming impatient and they want resolution.

## Discussion of progress on Route 109/Trotter Drive traffic signal:

The MRA was informed by member Yorkis that he spoke with Representatives Roy and Murray about funding for a light at Rt. 109/Trotter Drive. Both have indicated that this will be submitted to the ways and means committee since they understand the importance of this. There will be a request to the Senate president as well. There has been productive movement on this.

## **Site Readiness Application:**

The MRA was made aware that the State is rolling out a new grant program in next fiscal year. The goal of this is to have a "one stop" grant program instead of applying for each individual grant. The application involves submitting an expression of interest for various projects. A team of state employees will review the expression of interest and provide feedback on which grants would be a good fit. A question was asked if the traffic signal at Route 109 does not receive funding could this be one of the possible projects as part of the One Stop application.

## Annual Report 2020:

Mr. Downing noted some minor edits.

On a motion made by Mike Griffin, seconded by Doug Downing, the MRA voted by roll call to approve the 2020 Annual Report as written with the noted edits.

Roll Call Vote:	
Doug Downing	aye
Michael Griffin	aye
Rori Stumpf	aye
Paul Yorkis	aye
Andy Rodenhiser	aye

## **Approval of Minutes:**

December 16, 2020 Regular Session:

On a motion made by Doug Downing and seconded by Rori Stumpf, the MRA voted by roll call to approve the regular session minutes from December 16, 2020.

## Roll Call Vote:

Doug Downing	aye
Michael Griffin	aye
Rori Stumpf	aye
Paul Yorkis	aye
Andy Rodenhiser	aye

## **OTHER BUSINESS:**

• There was a suggestion to send Town Clerk Maryjane White a letter of appreciation for her service to the town on behalf of the MRA.

#### **NEXT MEETING:**

• February 17, 2021

On a motion made by Paul Yorkis, seconded by Rori Stumpf, the MRA voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:24 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:	
Paul Yorkis	aye
Mike Griffin	aye
Rori Stumpf	aye
Doug Downing	aye
Andy Rodenhiser	aye

**Respectfully Submitted** 

Amy Sutherland Recording Secretary

Edited by Barbara J. Saint Andre Director, Community and Economic Development